

HOUSE BILL 635
By Cochran

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 17, Chapter 4, Part 1 and Title 17, Chapter 4, Part 2, relative to judicial selection and evaluation.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 17-4-109(d), is amended by designating the existing language as subdivision (1) and by adding the following language as a new subdivision (2):

(2) In the course of evaluating any judicial nominee, the judicial selection commission shall endeavor to determine whether a nominee will adhere to the doctrine of separation of powers in interpreting the state constitution and legislative statutes.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2005, the public welfare requiring it.